--- "Series of 1881" - TOBACCO - Division Open "A 64" - 3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) ---

--- 1/4th pound - lithographed in blue ink on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove ---

--- *Without* the 28 mm. imprint "British American Bank Note Co. Montreal" **---**

--- 238 x 20 mm - 4 mm. blue controls - scanned at 67% scale ---

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John McKay records that 229,320 *lithographed* copies of "1/4 Blue Tobacco" were 'Delivered' under the **3rd BABN Contract** (1878-1886). This is his only mention of the *lithographed* blue 1/4th pound Customs strip. He has probably included some lithographed 1/4th pound blue strips from the "Series of 1883".

3rd BABN Contract (1878-1886) -	229,320 - some of these are from "Series of 1883"

The final 'upper-limit' control number on the 1/4th pound blue 1880-81 Canada Customs strips - as collected to date

1/4th pound, Division Open - A 64	**083969**
1/4th pound, Montreal Division - M 64	**048747**
1/4th pound, Toronto Division - C 64	none
	132,716

The catalogue lists the 1/4th pound, blue, Division Open - A 64 Customs strip as follows:

RP-345 - 1/4th pound, blue, perforated 12, Division Open - A 64, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. controls
RP-346 - 1/4th pound, blue, *coarse roulette*, Division Open - A 64, on *block wmkd* vertical mesh wove - 4 mm. controls

RP-345n - 1/4th pound, blue, perforated 12, Division Open **"A 64"**, without control numbering
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - badly bowed by the lithographer

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The following *imperforate* strip is a remnant. It has been scissor-clipped from an unfinished imperforate sheet. Since it was not a production item, I feel that it is preferable to simply list it without a separate catalogue number.

1/4th pound, blue, *imperforate*, Division Open **"A 64"**, without control numbering
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - who has more of this ink inscription?

--- RP-345 - 1/4th pound - perforated 12 - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove ---

RP-345 - 1/4th pound, blue, perforated 12, Division Open **"A 64"**, control number **003695**
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove
Manuscript ***18**81, Toronto* in black ink, Entry No. *8691*, and *W. C. S.* for "W. C. Stratton"

001551★	1881	RP-345	1/4th pound, perforated 12, on block watermarked vertical mesh wove Manuscript 18*81*, Entry No. *700*, signed *Y. M. Geldert*
003695★	1881	RP-345	1/4th pound, perforated 12, on block watermarked vertical mesh wove Manuscript *Toronto* and 18*81* in black, Entry No. *8691* Initialled *W. C. S.* for *W. C. Stratton*

--- RP-346 - 1/4th pound - *coarse roulette* - on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove ---

RP-346 - 1/4th pound, blue, *coarse roulette*, Division Open **"A 64"**, control number **083969**
Lithographed on *block watermarked* vertical mesh wove - stamped **6 '87** in September 1887

083969★	09/87	RP-346	1/4th pound, *coarse roulette*, block watermarked vertical mesh wove - stamped **6 '87**

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